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DOT&PF responding to massive Ketchikan rock slide, *Slide closes North Tongass Highway*

(JUNEAU, Alaska) – The Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF) is responding to a massive rock slide that has blocked North Tongass Highway in Ketchikan.

The slide, which occurred about 8 a.m. today, is located at the five mile marker. There were no injuries reported in the incident, but a house remains close to a slope's edge.

According to Nick Farstad of DOT&PF, the house is not in danger of falling onto the road.

A local contract was being contacted to assist the DOT&PF maintenance and operations crew there with clearing the road to make it passable.

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